

Taunton man arrested for assault on Lincoln Street

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Duxbury police arrested a Taunton man who allegedly tried to run over a Lincoln Street resident with a work van after a dispute last week.

On Wednesday, Oct. 5, police arrested Steven Smith, 26, of Taunton for assault and battery with a dangerous weapon after Smith allegedly drove his work van at the resident and hit him. The man struck by the van was not injured.

According to Duxbury Police Chief Matthew Clancy, the incident happened around 9 p.m. He said two men at a party “involving young adults” were having a “very loud verbal argument” that Officer Matt Donoghue heard when he got to the scene.

Clancy described what happened: “As the officer pulled up, there was a van backing out of the driveway and a lot of yelling going on. The officer pulled up behind the van to try to keep that person there and find out what was going on. As he pulled up, the occupant of the van put (it) in drive, went up on the lawn and bumped the guy and knocked him down, right in front of the officer.”

In a press release he issued that night, Clancy wrote that Smith “drove forward abruptly and purposefully, striking the individual with whom he was arguing.”

That night Smith was transported to the Duxbury Police Station for processing and was later released on bail pending arraignment last Thursday morning at Plymouth District Court.